



**Troy R. Bivens**  
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**COUNCIL MEMBERS**

**Mike Cook**  
**Carol McCombs**  
**Jimmy Cox**  
**Charles Sharpe**

**Steve Martin**  
Building Official

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**TOWN MEETING**  
**MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, June 4, 2024**  
**7:00 p.m.**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Troy Bivens called the meeting to order and opened the meeting with prayer. Mayor Bivens initiated the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Councilwoman McCombs motioned to amend the May 7, 2024 minutes with the Back to School Bash date of July 31. Councilman Sharpe seconded the motion.

**III. CHIEF'S REPORT**

Chief Watkins gave an update on the Police Department activities. The National Guard will be helping with the Back to School Bash along with 7-11 donating supplies.

**IV. BUILDING OFFICIAL'S REPORT**

An update on open permits and business licenses were given to Council.

**V. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM (Town Citizens can speak up to 3 minutes)**

Tammy Bailey had questions concerning requirements for an electrical permit.

**VI. CLOSE PUBLIC FORUM**

Councilwoman McCombs motioned to close the public forum. Councilman Cox seconded the motion.

**VII. OPENING STATEMENT (Information from Mayor and Council)**

- Agendas and sign up sheets were located at the front door.
- A Representative of Mission Lakes and Christ Central presented information to Council regarding the possibility of purchasing property in the town limits to build an RV park.

- Financial update reports – Sherry presented financials for March and April, 2024.

- The Event Ordinance will be reviewed and updated by Chief Watkins and Jennifer for Council to review at the July 2<sup>nd</sup> Council meeting.
- Council to review and discuss possible Hospitality Tax for the Town of Gaston's Commercial Businesses with prepared food facilities.
- Budget Work Shop will be held on Tuesday, June 11, 2024.
- Councilman Cook motioned to accept the 1<sup>st</sup> Annexation reading of property at 122 Hunter Woods Drive (Zoned R3). Councilwoman McCombs seconded the motion.
- Councilman Cook motioned for Planning Committee to Zone property located at 116 Hunter Woods Drive for future Annexation. Councilman Sharpe seconded the motion.
- Bids for Lawn Care and Cleaning were reviewed. Councilwoman McCombs motioned to accept Superior Lawn Care for the amount of \$1,972.92 per month and Jani King (cleaning) for the amount of \$350 per month. Councilman Cox seconded the motion.
- Bids for termite treatment for the Town Hall were reviewed. Council decided on a one time treatment plan.
- Councilman Cook motioned to increase the sewer rate 3%. Councilman Sharpe seconded the motion.

- Assignments for Council (Updates):

- Councilman Cook – The garbage disposal in the kitchen sink is not working. Contacting the Electrician.
- Councilwoman McCombs – Nothing new to report.
- Councilman Cox – Nothing new to report.
- Councilman Sharpe – Nothing new to report.

**VIII. CLOSE STATEMENT**

Councilwoman McCombs motioned to close the opening statement. Councilman Cox seconded the motion.

**XI. ADJOURN**

Councilwoman McCombs motioned to adjourn. Councilman Cox seconded the motion.